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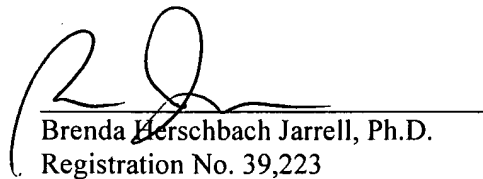
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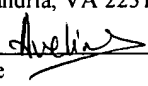
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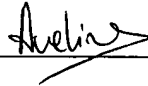


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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

This Amendment is submitted in response to the final Office Action that was mailed June 13, 2005 in the above-identified patent application. The deadline for replying to the Office Action is September 13, 2005. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that the filing of the present Response on September 13, 2005 is timely.

In response to the Office Action, Applicant requests entrance of the following Amendment and consideration of the following Remarks. **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.

The present Amendment is believed to be in compliance with the Revised Amendment Format published in the Federal Register on June 30, 2003 (68 FC 38611), and therefore to be exempt from the requirement of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(a)-(d).